



Transmission Corridors and Strategic Plan Update Workshop #1

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2004 Energy Report Update

- California lacks a seamless process for moving transmission projects through the planning phase into permitting.
- Recommended development of a planning process that recognizes strategic benefits and the long life of transmission projects.
- Recommended development of a state-led process for transmission corridor planning.



What's new ?

- SB 1565 (Bowen, 2004) added section 25324 to the Public Resources Code, which requires the Commission to submit a strategic transmission plan to the legislature by November 1, 2005.
- Proposed legislation, SB 1059, would authorize the Commission to designate transmission corridors
- Proposed energy agency reorganization plan



Fundamental Corridor Questions

1. What are the corridor needs of transmission system owners?
2. Given the corridor needs identified by transmission system owners, what are the appropriate priorities assigned to the identified corridors?
3. What are the major physical and institutional issues and government actions necessary to address the issues associated with the identified corridors?
4. Which local agencies are vital participants in identifying environmental and land use issues associated with the identified corridors?



Proposed Corridor Identification Process for 2007 IEPR cycle

- Develop a list of corridor needs from transmission system owners, agencies, and stakeholders
- As part of the IEPR process, stakeholders would identify major physical and institutional issues, as well as actions to resolve those issues
- Staff would summarize input and vet in workshop(s)



Panel Questions

1. Does the proposed corridor identification process described in the background paper meet stakeholder, state, and local agency and public concerns and needs for state-led transmission planning? If not, what would you propose?
2. How should the collaborative approach recommended in the *2004 Energy Report* be structured?



Panel Members

- Duane Marti, Bureau of Land Management
- Richard Rayburn, California State Parks
- Yvonne Hunter, League of California Cities
- Don Haines, San Diego Gas & Electric
- Chifong Thomas, Pacific Gas & Electric
- Jorge Chacon, Southern California Edison